Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju : മെഡിക്കൽ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലെ ബഡ്ജറ്റ് എസ്റ്റിമേറ്റ് അപ്പോഴത്തെ നേരത്തെ അയയ്ക്കാൻ കാരണമെന്താണ്?

Vaidyasastra Kusala Dr. (Mrs.) M Poonen Lukose : മെഡിക്കൽ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലെ ബഡ്ജറ്റ് എസ്റ്റിമേറ്റ് മീനമാസത്തിൽ അയച്ചു കഴിഞ്ഞു. സാധാരണയായി അയക്കുന്നതു അപ്പോഴാണ്.

Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju : ഗവൺമെൻറ് ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ സപ്ലിമെൻററി ഗ്രാൻറ് കൊണ്ടുവരിക എന്നുള്ളതു് ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ ഒരു സാധാരണ പതിവായിത്തീർന്നിരിക്കുകയാണ്. അവരുടെ ഉപേക്ഷയൊ നിയമസഭയോടു് അവർക്കുള്ള അവഗണനയൊ അവരുടെ അലസതയൊ കൊണ്ടാണ് ഇപ്രകാരം സംഭവിക്കുന്നതു. ഈ ധനാഭ്യർത്ഥന അത്യാവശ്യമായ ഒരു സംഗതിയാണെന്ന് ഞാനും സമ്മതിക്കുന്നു. പക്ഷെ, മുമ്പേലപ്പെട്ട ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരുടെ അലസതമൂലം യഥാകാലം അതായതു ബഡ്ജറ്റു കാലത്തു ഈ ധനാഭ്യർത്ഥന കൊണ്ടുവരാതെ ഇങ്ങനെ ഒരു സപ്ലിമെൻററി ഗ്രാൻറായി കൊണ്ടുവന്നിരിക്കുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു ഞാൻ ഇതിനെ എതിർക്കുന്നു.

The motion was put to the House and carried and the grant made.

DEMAND IV—PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott (*Chief Engineer*): Sir, I beg to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 2,20,030 under Demand IV,—Public Works Department, Rs. 2,17,910 for repairing the road between Alwaye and Munnar in connection with the introduction of the transport scheme, and Rs. 2,120 for additions and alterations to the Cantonment Bungalow.

The Demand was put to vote and carried.

The grant was made.

DEMAND VII—EXCISE.

Mr. M. P. Joseph (*Excise Commissioner*) Sir, I beg to move for a supplementary grant not exceeding Rs. 3,845 (Rs.1,345 for the reorganisation of the statistics branch in the Excise Commissioner's office, and Rs. 2,500 for the construction of buildings for holding the office and the Guard posts in the Palkulam Salt Factory) under Demand VII—Excise.

Sir, the reorganisation of the statistics branch in my office was contemplated some time ago. The compilation of statistics for the purpose of trade in general and for the solution of the several

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problems which arise out of the Interportal Convention, the Federation and the Cochin Harbour scheme, has been engaging the attention of Government for some time past; and the Government asked the Excise Commissioner to submit a scheme on the matter.

A special officer was sent from here to Karachi, Bombay and to the office of the Director of Commercial Intelligence to study statistics and then submit a report. He submitted a scheme which was scrutinised by my predecessor, Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar and he recommended the scheme.

President Order, order. Details regarding the recommendations of heads of departments to Government are not in order.

Mr. M. P. Joseph The scheme consists of two parts. The Statistics department is divided into two branches, the audit branch and the statistics branch. In the statistics branch the proposal was to have 13 clerks and in the audit branch 4 clerks. The work of the statistics branch consists in the posting and registration of several returns which are received daily from the 73 customs houses in the State. Ten of these clerks will do posting work, two of them will be engaged in the compilation of monthly and annual returns. About 600 returns are being received daily.

President: I may invite the honourable member's attention to the remarks made by Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju, and in any remarks that he makes the honourable member will please take care to indicate the reason why the supplementary grant was necessitated.

Mr M. P. Joseph: Yes, Sir. A lump sum of Rs. 3,000 was allotted and granted by the Legislature at the time of the last budget session. But this was not found sufficient for the reorganisation of the Department. About a sum of Rs. 1,345 was found to be further required and so this grant is now asked for by me. That is all I have to say as to why this supplementary grant is made.

Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju: നിർഭാഗ്യവശാൽ ഇതിനേയും എതിർക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള പുതലയാണ് എനിക്ക് വന്നുകൂടിയിരിക്കുന്നത്.

President: Far from a misfortune, it is a very good fortune.

Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju: കർക്കടകമാസത്തിൽ നടന്ന ബഡ്ജറ്റസെഷനിൽ ഈ ആവശ്യത്തിലേക്ക് ഇക അനുവദിച്ചു എന്നും ആ തുക പോരാതെ വന്നതിനാലാണ് ഇപ്പോൾ ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ട

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[Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju.]

ന്നു എന്നമാണ അതിലേക്ക പറയുന്ന കാരണങ്ങൾ. എന്നാൽ അതു വിട്ടിച്ചു തുക എന്തുകൊണ്ടു പോരാതെവന്നു എന്നുള്ളതിനു അദ്ദേഹം തൃപ്തികരമായ സമാധാനം പറയുന്നില്ല. അതിനെക്കുറിച്ചു ഈ എക്സൈസ് കമ്മിഷണരുടെ സമാധാനം കേട്ടാൽകൊള്ളാം.

Mr. M. P. Joseph: At that time the scheme was not sanctioned by Government and unless the scheme is sanctioned we do not know what the exact amount is. So the lump sum allotment was asked for at that time.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know from the member when the scheme was sanctioned by Government?

Mr. M. P Joseph: It was sanctioned only recently.

The question was then put and the motion was carried and the grant was made.

XVII. INDUSTRIES INCLUDING CLAY REFINING AND PORCELAIN FACTORY—Rs. 30,000.

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott Sir, I move for a supplementary grant of Rs. 30,000 for finishing the works relating to the opening of the Clay Refining and Porcelain Factory at Kundara.

President: Will the honourable member enlighten the House as to the reasons for making this supplementary grant?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: I have to say this that in connection with the works that were hoped to be finished last year, it was found impossible to do so and so funds amounting to about Rs. 15,000 were surrendered. The remaining sum includes some extra works which have been found necessary after the last budget session.

Mr. Kottur Kunjukrisha Pillai: May I know from the member whether this is an item of expenditure that has been granted at the time of the last budget session and because the amount became insufficient an additional amount is now wanted?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: As I said, in regard to the works that were hoped to be finished but were not before the end of last, funds were surrendered. We hoped to be able to pay the bills for the works to be carried out that year.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know when is the time for the actual adjustment of accounts?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: After the last budget session.

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